

8 Western station, Scranton, New York, Ontario, & Western station and yards, Mayfield, and the D&H Gravity shops, Carbondale), the Laurel Line, and several mining scenes.

Dr. Powell then asked if Mr. Robbins would be interested in lending some of his works to the Society for a one-man show, possibly in October. Mr. Robbins replied that he would indeed allow the Society to hang them. Mr. Klimkiewicz suggested that perhaps another arrangement with the area schools could be worked out whereby the students could come to City Hall to view the paintings.

For the record, it is noted that:

Once corner retailers from the nitman plot at Maplewood Cemetery have been acquired. (Mr. Grosvenor noted that the Grimons were his ancestors.)

Tempo magazine has interviewed several officers of the Society, and will take photographs, to produce an article on the Society for an upcoming issue.

Ray Rinaldi, Up-valley bureau chief of the Tribune noted the work of the Society in his column of 1 July.

With no further business to be conducted, the meeting adjourned at 9:57.

Robert J. Jomaine, Secretary

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The meeting of the Executive Committee of the Carbondale Historical Society and Museum, Inc. was held at 10 pm, Thursday, 5, July, 1984. In attendance were S. Robert Powell, PhD, President, Hank Loftus, Second Vice-President, Robert J. Jomaine, Secretary, and Board Member John Klimkiewicz.

Regarding the bond issue of the Art Studies project, Mr. Loftus requested a check to cover the amount of the bonds-\$100. Dr. Powell, acting as treasurer, provided the check, and Mr. Loftus stated that he would purchase the bonds tomorrow.

Mr. Jomaine then asked if the necessary glass for the framing of the Hendrick Photographs had been purchased. Mr. Loftus and Dr. Powell stated that they would make the arrangements for the necessary quantity from Ureeda Glass. Mr. Jomaine stated that he would pay \$10.00 toward the purchase.

Mr. Jomaine then moved that Mr. Klimkiewicz be appointed to the office of First Vice-President, due to the absence of John Suberinski. Dr. Powell seconded the move but suggested that Mr. Klimkiewicz be named as Acting First Vice-President, since Mr. Suberinski's plans regarding the Society are uncertain. All present were in accord on the matter.

It was then decided that a meeting to update the by-laws should be held at 7:30 pm, Thursday 12 July, in Room 301, City Hall.

Mr. Jomaine was then instructed to contact the various newspapers regarding the Crystal Band Concert in Memorial Park, and the Anthracite Museum regarding its eth nic studies project.

With no further business, the meeting concluded at 10:30 on a motion by John Klimkiewicz.

Robert J. Jomaine, Secretary

A special meeting of the Executive Committee of the Carbondale Historical Society and Museum, Inc. was held at 7:30 pm, Thursday, 12 July, 1984 in Room 301, Carbondale City Hall. In attendance were S. Robert Powell, PhD, President, John Klimkiewicz, Acting First Vice-President, Hank Loftus, Second Vice-President, and Robert J. Jomaine, Secretary, and Jim Heplewin. The meeting was to prepare revised by-laws, and to handle general business of the Society.

Mr. Loftus moved that parliamentary procedure be followed at all meetings, subject to the discretion of the President and Secretary, in order to provide for a more efficient method of dealing with the Society's affairs. This could be of particular importance at the general membership meetings as it would counteract the tendency for such meetings to become unduly long. Mr. Klimkiewicz seconded the motion, and all were in favour.

Mr. Jomaine suggested that at this particular meeting, such procedures should be waived, due to the fact that only a relatively few members were in attendance, and the Executive Committee could function well under a "roundtable" type of format.

This was agreed upon and parliamentary procedure was not used for the meeting. Mr. Klimkiewicz reported that Janice Carlson wishes to purchase a flowerbox, and that he will attend to the necessary details. It was also noted that Joseph Pascoe has spoken with Steve Oliveri, of Memelstein's, regarding shrouds for the area surrounding City Hall, and that Mr. Klimkiewicz would meet with him on Friday.

Mr. Klimkiewicz then said that he had met with Rita Scott, who has offered to donate a copy of a history of Greeley, Michigan to the Society. She pointed out that many residents of Greeley are descended from ex-Carbondale residents.

Mr. Klimkiewicz went on to say that Mrs. Scott and her son are presently engaged in research on their family and have visited Sweden in search of details. It would seem that there is one member of the family that is unable to be traced. Mrs. Scott will contact the Society during Pioneer Days.

She also made inquiry as to the "Husfee book" although Dr. Powell noted that the book has been known to be in error on occasion, and more important, was published in 1872. He pointed out the fact that this may make it somewhat difficult to locate a copy, and offered to let Mrs. Scott view his personal copy. Mr. Loftus noted that the University of Scranton has several copies of the book.

Mr. Klimkiewicz then explained that the Society's GJPA (Job Training Partnership Act) participation is going well. He noted that two of the workers, Gerald Ruddy and Brenda Maddige, are extremely dedicated and have proven to be exemplary employees while, unfortunately, one of the other two has not been seen since Tuesday (Joy Tyler) and the other has worked but nine hours since Tuesday (Susan Cardinal). Mr. Ruddy is working in Room 302, while Miss Maddige is sorting documents, cleaning, and helping in the preparations for the Society's participation in Pioneer Days. Dr. Powell pointed out the fact that Mr. Klimkiewicz should be commended for the smoothness with which the program is running. He stated that it is his belief that the outstanding success of the program is due to Mr. Klimkiewicz's participation.

Mr. Klimkiewicz went on to say that the Pioneer Days exhibit will be hung as soon

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as the Society can make arrangements to obtain the use of a dumpster, since the various rooms on the third floor of City Hall are presently filled with a large quantity of items which should be disposed of. He also noted that he had spoken to Robert Davis, Managing Director of the City of Carbondale, who requested that the Society move the heat wall at the top of the steps from its present location to a point just beyond the Police record room.

Dr. Powell suggested that the wall be removed entirely, since with the newly repaired windows on the floor, and the soon to be repaired holes in the ceiling, the wall's usefulness seems to be rather questionable. Mr. Loftus stated that after the holes are repaired, he will contact the Economic Development Council of Northeast Pennsylvania, and request that they do a heat loss study.

Dr. Powell then noted that Paul Holitz, a representative of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission will be visiting City Hall on 16 July for a final inspection. He added that it is therefore imperative that Vincent Bilotta, the contractor who performed the roofing and other work to the structure, be contacted and instructed to attend to the few remaining details on the building that have not been completed.

Dr. Powell then observed that perhaps the next step in the restoration/repair process should be the blind-proofing of the structure. This, he opined, could be done by the use of either a cloth or metal netting in the upper levels of the two- and three story wings, and the tower. Mr. Klimkiewicz stated that possibly a wire mesh of the type used for binding stucco could be used. It was agreed that this should indeed be done as soon as possible, and that the different materials would be investigated.

Dr. Powell then stated that he had had the pleasure of meeting with several members of the Trachville American Legion Post regarding the matter of moving the former Reading Railroad station from that borough to Carbondale. He further noted that the project may be dead, in that there does not seem to be any way to move the station, nor anyplace to put it once in Carbondale.

Mr. Jomaine, who is the chairman of station transportation matters for the Society, stated that it was his opinion that the matter is far from dead. He requested that a copy of the letter from the Delaware and Hudson Railway to Robert Davis, which describes the piece of land that the railroad would like to place the station on, be obtained for his perusal. He noted that it seems that some confusion exists as to exactly where the D&H is proposing to place the station. Apparently, the company would like to place it between two tracks, or in the center of a wye. Mr. Jomaine said that he did not see this as any great problem, since the line is not in main-line service. He also noted the fact that the Hilton at Lackawanna Station has a pedestrian crossing over the Conrail track at its location and does not expect any problems to arise. Mr. Klimkiewicz promised that he would obtain a copy of the letter, from Mr. Davis. It was also pointed out that since the Society now has 501c3 status, the possibility of donations of labour and use of equipment can be explored.

Messrs. Loftus and Jomaine then proposed that the Society procure an actual office